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BPO ELKS 2399

WAPITI WIND

October 2023



Elks Memorial Service

The Annual Service to the Memory of our Departed Members will be held in the Lodge Room on Sunday, December 3, 2023 at 11:00 am.

"A Coin A Day So The Kids Can Play"

All coins collected are donated to Arizona Elks Major Projects (AEMP) which supports the Steele Children's Hospital in Tucson, AZ. Any loose change can go into a pig (they love paper bills too). "Let us FILL THEM UP".



Your Purple Pig Committee thanks you.

!!! Lodge Expansion Update !!!

It is with great pleasure that I can announce that our State Special Deputy (Jerry Grimes) has informed the Lodge that our Grand Lodge State Sponsors have approved our building permit for the Lodge expansion. The permit has been received and our Lodge Expansion Committee can proceed to the next step in the expansion process. Membership will be updated on a regular basis on the progress, revenues and costs of the project.

This has been a very long haul to get to this point, but it is now turning into reality. A big **THANKS** to our planning committee and everyone that has stood fast along the way.

Faternally,
Gary W. Parsons, PER
Lodge Advisor

From the Editor:

The October issue of the Wapiti Wind will be my first issue as Editor. I want to thank Jackie Turcotte, PER for all of her hard work and dedication towards this newsletter. Jackie has truly been an asset to Elksdom and this Lodge. Thank you Jackie for everything you have done. I only hope I can do half the job that Jackie has done. I will do my best in keeping our members informed through this newsletter. Again, Thank You in advance for all your support.

Chuck Fox, PER, Wapiti Wind Editor
Eva Fox, Assistant Editor/Public Relations

Exalted Rulers Message



As I sit here at home having my coffee thinking of what I should write about, it occurs to me how fortunate we are to have our Elks Lodge here in Lake Havasu City. I like to think of it as a safe haven where any of our members can come, sit at the bar for a drink and conversation, or a great dinner 6 times a week, or meet friends, play cards, shuffleboard, or just plain socialize. For me, this Lodge has been my salvation since the death of my husband this past January. The outpouring of friendship and kindness has been overwhelming, so THANK YOU MY ELK BROTHERS AND SISTERS, you have made it bearable for me.

Having said all that, I thank you for the opportunity to be your Exalted Ruler for the remainder of this Elk year. I promise to write longer messages in the coming months, (just kidding).

Faternally,

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LAKE HAVASU CITY
LODGE 2399 OF THE
BENEVOLENT AND
PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS
OF THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA

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Attend Meetings

Lodge business is conducted during the official Meetings - not at the end of the bar. Get the facts at a Lodge Meeting or House Committee/Trustee Meeting. Meeting times are posted on the calendar.

Elks Websites

Want more information about the Elks? You can get limited access to these sites without an account. Creating an account will give you access to the Members Only sections for even more information.

www.elks.org for any information regarding Elksdom.

www.arizonaelksassociation.org for any information about our state association.

elks2399.com for Lodge 2399 information.

To join our **Facebook Page**, search Lake Havasu City, AZ Elks Lodge #2399

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If you send a text, please add your name so I know who it is from. Your number may not be in my contacts, so I have no idea who your are. Thanks.

Chuck Fox
Wapiti Wind Editor



Swearing in and Installation of Exalted Ruler (Paulette Nanteau) and Two Year Trustee (Tom Harvey) by AZ Vice President Hank Thonnard, at the September 5, 2023 Lodge Meeting.

ELK OF THE MONTH

April 2023 Bob Richards

May 2023 Marilyn & Dean Butcher

VOLUNTEERS

Want to volunteer at the Lodge?

Please contact Elizabeth Ledingham:

E-mail: escogan@yahoo.com

Phone: **661-644-5656**

(If no answer, please leave a message)

Auditing & Acct.

Audit/Acct.
Inventory

Activities Committee

Activities-Volunteers
Awards Banquet
Bingo
Blood Drive

Bowling
Bulk Mailing
Charity Ball
Christmas Baskets
Community Activities
Decorating Committee
Door Greeters
Drug Awareness
Elkettes
Entertainment Committee

Family Picnic
Fishing Club
Giving Tree
Golf League
Grants Administrator
Hi-Way Cleanup
Hoop Shoot
Hot Dogs
Information Technology
Law & Order Night
Lodge Activities
Lodge Emails & Website
Long Range Planning
Monday Night Dancers
Old Timers Night
Pasta Night
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Public Relations

Queen of Hearts
Retail Sales
RV Club (Vagabonds)
RV Parking

Scholarships
Soccer Shoot
Special Olympics
Taco Tuesday Night
Volunteer Coordinator
Yacht Club Commodore
Youth Activities

Fraternal Committee

All American Lodge/Training
Americanism
Constitution & By-Laws
Elks National Foundation

Flag Day
Elks Training
Government Relations
Guest Monitoring
Interview Committee
Orientation
Lodge Inspection/Accident
Major Projects
Major Projects (Purple Pig)

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Membership/Lapsation
Memorial Service
Presiding Justice
Protocol
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Ritual Word Coach

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TBD
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Deborah Troncale
Jackie Turcotte
Hank Thonnard

October 2023 *Revised 9/30/23*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>1</u> Hot Dogs 11-2 pm NFL Package Sunday Breakfast 8 am - 11 am	<u>2</u> Hot Dogs 11-2 pm Pasta Night 4-7 pm	<u>3</u> Taco Tuesday 11-2 pm 4-7 pm Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm	<u>4</u> Lunch 11-2 pm Pork Ribs 4-7 pm	<u>5</u> Lunch 11-2 pm Dinner Menu 4-7 pm Bingo 6 pm (doors open 4 pm) Karaoke 6 pm	<u>6</u> Lunch 11-2 pm PER Meeting - 2 pm Dinner Menu 4-8 pm Music: River Kings	<u>7</u> Hot Dogs 11-2 pm Elkettes Fashion Show: 11:30 am Dinner Menu 4-8 pm Music: Top Shelf
<u>8</u> Hot Dogs 11-2 pm NFL Package Breakfast 8 am - 11 am Blood Drive Yacht Club Oktoberfest 12 Noon	<u>9</u> Hot Dogs 11-2 pm Pasta Night 4-7 pm	<u>10</u> Taco Tuesday 11-2 pm 4-7 pm Elkettes Meeting: 6 pm House Committee/Trustee Meeting: 7 pm	<u>11</u> Lunch 11-2 pm Pork Ribs 4-7 pm Vagabonds 1 pm	<u>12</u> Lunch 11-2 pm Dinner Menu 4-7 pm Bingo 6 pm (doors open 4 pm) Karaoke 6 pm	<u>13</u> Lunch 11-2 pm Dinner Menu 4-8 pm Music: Slade Rivers	<u>14</u> Hot Dogs 11-2 pm Fishing Club Fry/Mtg 11—? Dinner Menu 4-8 pm Music: Slade Rivers
<u>15</u> Hot Dogs 11-2 pm Breakfast 8 am - 11 am NFL Package	<u>16</u> Hot Dogs 11-2 pm Pasta Night 4-7 pm Orientation: 7 pm	<u>17</u> Taco Tuesday - 11-2 pm 4-7 pm Lodge Meeting/Initiation - 7:30 pm	<u>18</u> Lunch - 11-2 pm Pork Ribs 4-7 pm	<u>19</u> Lunch - 11-2 pm Dinner Menu 4-7 pm Bingo - 6 pm (Doors open 4pm) Karaoke 6 pm	<u>20</u> Lunch - 11-2 pm Dinner Menu - 4-8 pm Music: Swamp Donkey	<u>21</u> Hot Dogs - 11-2 pm Yacht Club 2 pm Dinner Menu - 4-8 pm Music: Swamp Donkey
<u>22</u> Hot Dogs 11-2 pm Breakfast 8 am - 11 am NFL Package	<u>23</u> Interviews 9 am Hot Dogs 11-2 pm Pasta Night 4-7 pm	<u>24</u> Taco Tuesday - 11-2 pm 4-7 pm MCL Mtg 7 pm	<u>25</u> Lunch - 11-2 pm Pork Ribs 4-7 pm	<u>26</u> Lunch - 11-2 pm Dinner Menu 4-7 pm Bingo - 6 pm (Doors open 4pm) Karaoke 6 pm	<u>27</u> Lunch - 11-2 pm Dinner Menu - 4-8 pm Music: Whisky River	<u>28</u> London Bridge Day Parade 10 am Hot Dogs - 11-2 pm Dinner Menu - 4-8 pm Halloween Party 7 pm Music: Stormy Davis
<u>29</u> Hot Dogs 11-2 pm Breakfast 8 am - 11 am NFL Package	<u>30</u> Hot Dogs 11-2 pm Pasta Night - 4-7 pm	<u>31</u> Taco Tuesday - 11-2 pm & 4-7pm Golf Lunch 12:00 Fright Nite 7 pm				

Daily / Weekly Events

Monday 11:30 am Pinochle
 4-6:30 pm *Queen of Hearts*
 7 pm *Monday Dancers*

Tuesday 12-4 pm Hand & Foot

Thursday 12-4 pm Hand & Foot
 10:30– 3:30 PM Bridge
 6 pm *Karaoke*

Friday 12-4 pm Poker Omaha Hi-Lo

ELKETTE PRESIDENT MESSAGE

October 2023 Wapiti



Elkette President-

Welcome to our new Elkettes members! We look forward to seeing you at the Elkettes membership meetings. The Elkettes have been very busy over the summer. The Bunco and LCR games were big hits and great fund raisers. Thanks to all that volunteered and to those that attended.

We are still selling Challenge Coins as a fundraiser to upgrade our cameras and current system.

In addition, the Elkettes are now helping with the Bingo Thursday night snack bar. Please let us know if you are interested in volunteering. We have some awesome events coming up. Please mark your calendar for upcoming events. Dates are listed below:

- **Craft Fair - November 18th**
- **Kids Turn to Shop - November 26th**
- Christmas Dinner Dance - December 9th**

Anyone interested in volunteering to sell pies or help with any of the upcoming events we would love to have you participate. Don't forget you need a food handlers' card to work in the kitchen and sell pies. It is an easy process you can do online. The card is good for 5 years.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Lodge!

Gabriele Medley
Elkette President 2023-2024
336-317-4916

- **Elkettes Membership Meeting October 10th @ 6pm**
- **Fashion Show - October 7th**
- **Halloween Party - October 28th**
- **Elkettes Concert Series - November 12th**



August 2023 LCR Fun

All proceeds benefited the
Lodge Expansion Fund



LODGE #2399 **CHALLENGE COINS**



Front



Back

Lodge Challenge Coins (pictured to the right) are currently being sold to Lodge Members by the Elkettes as a fund raiser to support the purchase of new security cameras for the Lodge and RV Park. Challenge Coins may be purchased in the Lodge Office, or on Thursday evenings at the Elkettes Table. Contact Jon Vilalobos for more information. (602)820-3896

VAGABONDS CLUB NEWS



Hello Vagabonds Friends:

Stay Tuned for Vagabond News in the November issue of the Wapiti.

Jackie Newbeck
Vagabonds Secretary

Remember – BPOE – Best People on Earth

YACHT CLUB NEWS

We made it through another warm summer. September is here with a promise of some cooler temperatures. On Thursday September 21st the Yacht Club will meet at the bowling alley to play a couple of games. It will start at 3:00 PM.



Upcoming calendar dates include our Octoberfest on October 8th. Starting at noon and continuing until 4:00PM. The menu will include: Bratwurst on a bun, hot German potato salad, sauerkraut. Dessert will be German Chocolate Cake. Water, tea and coffee will be provided. Music will be provided by Fritz. Tickets will be going on sale soon. Watch your email.

Check your schedules for November 21st. Save the date for a grand Pigfest.

Our Pancake Pentathlon was a success; we wanted to blow our own horn in celebration of raising \$525.00 for the Disabled American Veterans. Our appreciation goes out to Deborah Haines and Steve Miller. They did a wonderful job.

Come join us at our regular scheduled meeting on the 3rd Saturday of each month at the Lodge at 2:00p.m. Please stop by and introduce yourself. We would love to meet you.

Marsha Kaltenberg; Secretary
503-746-3598



**Veterans Day
November 11,2023**

Hamburgers/Hot Dogs

At the Lodge on November 11th. Free to Veterans, small fee for non Veterans.

Golf Club News

Now that October has arrived, I wish to welcome back all of our winter visitors. Also, I wish to invite Elk's members who wish to join the golf club to please join us on Tuesday at Lake Havasu Golf course at 7:30 am to join. Applications are at the lodge or can be picked-up at the golf course on Tuesday, prior to play. A reminder to all members of our semi-annual scramble and luncheon. This event will be held on Tuesday October 31st. All members are encouraged to attend, your membership pays for the lunch. As a final word, I had the honor to have witnessed two hole in ones this last summer, a big congratulations goes out to Mike Lomeli, he had them both and on the same hole. Number 17 on the west course. A reminder to all to get back in the hole in one pot, please see Jerry Savila. Thanks to all, and see you on the course. A reminder that please use the golfers web site for easy access for results and information about the golf club. The address is lakehasu-elksgolf.com.

President Scott Brown

FISHING CLUB REPORT

The dates for the October Derby's will be Wednesday, October 4th from 6:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and Wednesday, October 18th from 6:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Weigh-in is at Windsor Beach South with scales open for 30 minutes from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Lunch will be served at the Lodge following the fish cleaning process. Help is always welcomed at the fish cleaning station!!

The Board of Directors will meet at the Lodge on Monday, October 2nd at 11:00 a.m. All members are welcome to attend. After the board's regular meeting, questions or comments are open to all attendees.

The Club's General Meeting will be held on Saturday, October 14th following our Fish Fry that will start at 11:30 a.m. The Derby on September 6th was won by Jim Hatter and Gary Visconti with 3 (three) fish weighing 8.67 lbs. Gary also had Big Fish with a 4.07 lb. striper.

Second Place went to Mike Michels and Larry Heller with 1 (one) fish that weighed in at 2.68 lbs.

Club hats and shirts will be available to pick up or purchase at the October meeting.

Mark your calendars for the Club's Christmas Party on Saturday, December 9th. All members attending are the Club's guests. The menu for the evening will be posted in the November Wapiti Wind.

Want to join the Elks Fishing Club? Applications are located on the Fishing Club bulletin board. Place completed forms in the blue box with a check. DO NOT turn in to the office. In addition, all interested Elks may come to our Club meeting for further information. Any Club Officer at the meeting would be happy to answer your questions or call Jerry Boyce at (928) 208-1073.

Highway Cleanup

It is that time again. Join us on Thursday October 19, 2023.

Meet at the Dairy Queen at 7:30 AM.

Highway Cleanup Committee Chair

Dan Dieter



Donation to DAV

The Elks Lodge #2399 Yacht Club donated \$525 to the London Bridge DAV Chapter 27. Funds came from the Yacht Clubs Pentathlon. From left to right in photo are DAV Commander Donald Bittenbender, Yacht Club Member and Pentathlon Chair Deborah Haines, Yacht Club Commodore Sheryl Koesterer and Yacht Club Steve Miller who was also a chair person for the Pentathlon.

ELKETTES: SUPPORTING BAND OF BROTHERS



Courtesy

The Elkettes of Elks Lodge # 2399 donated \$1,500 to the Band of Brothers for their Veterans Softball league. Funds came from the Elkettes concert series. In the photo from left to right are Concert committee members Nancy Levine, Sheri Sanderson, and Cindy Ritter. Receiving check is Stacy Lee with the Veterans Outreach Program and the Band of Brothers along with Elkettes Concert Committee Chairperson Eva D. Fox.



The Elkettes of Elks Lodge #2399 donated \$500 to The Hospice of Havasu "We Honor Veterans" Program. It provides a small ceremony, certificate, pin plaque and patriotic wrap for the Veterans in Hospice. Donated amount comes from Pie Sales at the Elks Lodge during the dinner hours.

In the Photo (from left to right) are Elkettes Karen Ford and Lisa Nutt with Community Outreach Director Michele Gardia

Elkettes Concert Series featuring: "The Southwest Surfers"

November 12, 2023 4:00 PM

Tickets on Sale starting October 2, 2023 @ 3:00 PM at the Lodge.

Kids Turn to Shop, November 25, 2023

Looking for new or gently used:

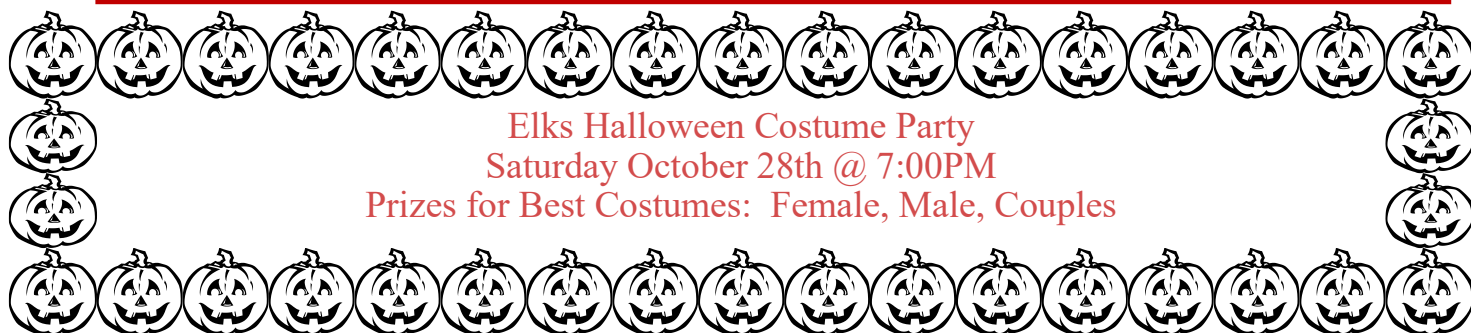
Ball Caps, Wallets, Tools, Jewelry, Hair Clips, Trinket Boxes, Purses, Knick Knacks, Games and Toys.

Anything new or gently used a child would like to give to parents, grandparents, siblings, aunts and uncles.

We can also use (new & gently used) self sticking gift tags, to and from tags, tissue paper, gift bags (assorted sizes).

Items can be dropped off at the office or items can be picked up.

Call Vanessa Brewster KTS Chair (707)363-13565



Elks Halloween Costume Party

Saturday October 28th @ 7:00PM

Prizes for Best Costumes: Female, Male, Couples

BPO Elks
A Fraternal Organization
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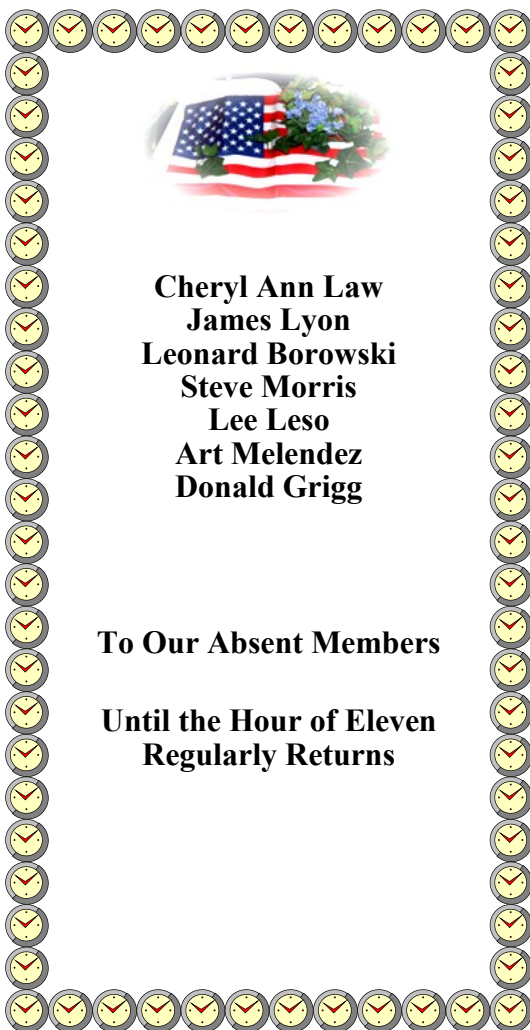
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ARIZONA ELKS MAJOR PROJECTS (AEMP)

Raffle Prize Information and Rules

The TERYX has a 999cc, 4 stroke, DOHC, liquid cooled engine with automatic CVT transmission, belted seating for 4, 31X10 tires, multi-function digital instrument display, and much more. The winner must take possession of the vehicle and trailer from Kelly's Kawasaki in Mesa to complete the required title and registration paperwork. The vehicle warranty period begins when the winner takes possession of the vehicle.

The drawing will be held on Oct. 20, 2023, at the AZ Elks Assn Mid-Year meeting in Tempe. There will also be a \$500 second place cash prize and a \$250 third place cash prize.

Must be 21 years old to win. Purchase of raffle tick-